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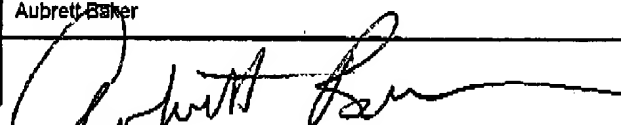
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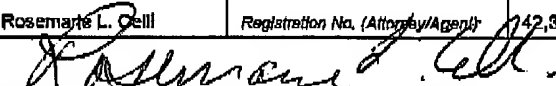
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60/067,740 filed 12/02/97;
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60/067,219 filed 12/03/97;
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09/724,921 filed 11/28/00;
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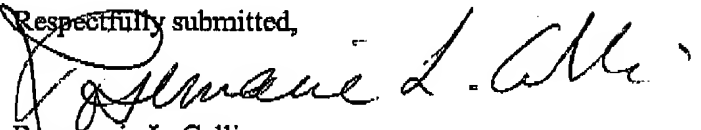
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